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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed June 7, 2001, please amend the abstract as indicated to place it in accordance with 37 CFR 1.72(b).

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 49, line 6 and ending on page 50, line 6 with the following paragraph:

A method for identifying or quantifying an organism by a detecting its nucleotide sequence among at least 4 other homologous sequences comprising amplifying nucleic acids from the organism to generate target nucleotide sequences to be detected; contacting the target nucleotide sequences with single stranded capture nucleotide sequences bound by a single predetermined link to an insoluble solid support and discriminating the binding of a target